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TYphoon Hits Okinawa Thirteen Americans Killed Or Missing Scores Of Ships Beached

A TERRIFIC STORM LASHED DESTRUCTIVELY AT OKINAWA LAST NIGHT TO WRECK INSTALLATIONS ON A LARGE SCALE AND LEAVE AT LEAST THREE NAVY MEN KILLED, 10 MISSING, AND FOUR JAPANESE PRISONERS DEAD.

INCOMPLETE PEARL HARBOUR FLEET HEADQUARTERS REPORTS SAID 52 SHIPS AND 70 MISCELLANEOUS SMALLER CRAFT WERE HURLED UP ON THE BEACHES. TWO TUGS, A PATROL YACHT, A BARGE AND A MINE SWEeper AND BUCKNER BAY INSTALLATIONS WERE DAMAGED EXTENSIVELY.

Four Japanese war prisoners were killed in the collapse of a frame building behind which they sought refuge.

The highest reported wind speed was at Yonaburu airfield where 132 miles an hour was recorded.

The storm struck directly over Buckner Bay but most American ships in the anchorage, warned of its approach, and sped to sea.

Hundreds of tents, camp-hospitals and quonset hut villages were ripped from their foundations.

Hospital wards were laid bare. Only night-long work by soldiers kept hospital patients' suffering to a minimum.—Associated Press.

HONSHU HIT

TOKYO, Oct. 12. At least 69 were killed and thousands were left homeless by a typhoon that hit central and southern Honshu Island yesterday, according to preliminary reports.

Eight thousand homes are known to have been flooded and thousands of acres of land were inundated and suffered heavy damage from washing.

Communications lines were disrupted, making an accurate checkup in the devastated areas difficult. Many railway bridges and couches were known to have been swept into the swirling waters.—Associated Press.

WEST CUT OFF

Pearl Harbour, Oct. 12. Incomplete reports at the United States Fleet Headquarters here said that three navy men were killed and ten were missing in the 132 miles per hour typhoon which struck Okinawa.

The reports refer to the area on the East coast, which had been unable to communicate with the Western side of the island.

United States Army reports from Manila gave 100 casualties but no deaths as the result of this typhoon, but said that installations had been so thoroughly levelled that the evacuation of some forces was urgent.—Reuter.

Home For Christmas?

LONDON, Oct. 12. THE MINISTER OF WAR, MR. JACK LAWSON, REPORTED TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ON HIS RECENT VISIT TO INDIA, BURMA, HONG KONG, SINGAPORE AND CEYLON.

He said that great disappointment was caused among the men when, owing to the collapse of Japan, there was a sudden call on shipping to bring home prisoners-of-war and for the transport of the occupation troops, which made it impossible to give full effect to the reduction in the period of eligibility for repatriation after the defeat of Germany. Many, he said, had been waiting for weeks for ships to bring them home.

Everything possible would be done to remove this block and he hoped there would be a definite improvement soon. He paid tribute to the men's self-control and understanding and fine bearing which, he said, had increased his faith in the future of this country.—Reuter.

ADM. KOGA DIED IN FLIGHT

TOKYO, Oct. 12. Japanese sources disclosed today that Admiral Mineichi Koga, former Commander-in-Chief of the Combined Japanese Fleet, was fleeing from American air raids on Palau when his airplane crashed on Cebu, in the central Philippines. He was captured by Filipino guerrillas but later died.

Associated Press.

LONDON SWEATS: SNOW IN SCOTLAND

London, Oct. 12. Yesterday was the hottest Mid-October day in London for 50 years. The temperature rose to 72 degrees, 13 degrees higher than the previous day.

In the northern Isles of Scotland, however, snow fell during a severe storm which caused flooding in the lowlands.—Reuter.

British A.B.'s Gallantry In Typhoon

HOW A BRITISH SEAMAN WITH A ROPE LASHED TO HIS WAIST WENT INTO A TYPHOON SEA TO THE RESCUE OF AMERICAN SAILORS CLINGING TO AN OIL BARREL. THIS WAS RELATED TO THE "CHINA MAIL" YESTERDAY BY AN OFFICER OF THE BRITISH FLEET TANKER "WAVE KING."

THE STORY CAME UP IN CONNECTION WITH THE TYPHOON WHICH SWEEPED OKINAWA ON THURSDAY

AND IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT THIS WAS THE SECOND OF EXTREME VIOLENCE TO GIVE THE OKINAWA BASE A SHAKING-UP WITHIN A PERIOD OF THREE WEEKS.

"Wave King" was brought into Hong Kong under tow by H.M.C.S. Ontario and is now tied up at Davia Pier, North Point.

Her typhoon adventure occurred on September 19 when she was one of the few ships left in Okinawa Bay, most of the British and American naval craft having put to sea.

At about three o'clock in the afternoon, when the typhoon was at its height, and waves 90 feet high were sweeping the docks, members of the ship's company saw three men on a tiny raft being swept by. Casting guns were fired but the lines were hurled back on board by the hurricane.

FREAK OF CHANCE

By some freak of chance, however, their raft was swept into towards the ship's side, and Leading Signalman P. A. Fisher went down a rope ladder and brought them safely on board.

Ten minutes later, three more sailors were observed clinging to an oil barrel.

Mao said some difficulties remained to be worked out but "the outlook is optimistic."

Mao was the guest of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek at their home before his departure.

The basic agreements come at a time when Nationalist troops are being rushed in American airplanes to points as the Peking and Tientsin areas, where there are armed Communist armies in great strength.

There has been some conjecture as to whether Communist troops in the field would agree to yield in case any agreement should deprive them of their own armies. The Chungking conference has been proceeding several weeks.—Associated Press.

THIRTEEN DROWNED

They were survivors of an American minesweeper which had been swamped by the typhoon and had drifted across the reef. Thirteen men lost their lives.

Captain Humphrey, skipper of the "Wave King," set the injured man's arm, and next day when the gale had abated the survivors were put aboard an American battleship.

SIX POINTS

It is reported that there has been unanimity or an agreement in principle on the following points:

"Firstly, long term cooperation under the leadership of Chiang Kai-shek, in order to avoid civil war and build a free independent and prosperous China."

"Secondly, the ending of political tutelage, substituting the democratisation of politics."

"Thirdly, freedom of speech and person and assembly."

"Fourthly, equal legal status for all political parties and the prohibition of the party 'centrism' and special service organisations."

"Fifthly, release of political prisoners."

"Sixthly, punishment of traitors and pawns in accordance with the process of law."—Reuter.

THE REMEDY

London, Oct. 12. Questions were asked in the House of Commons to-day about the refusal of certain West End restaurants to admit people not in evening dress.

The Ministerial reply deplored the mentality, but suggested that customers had the remedy in their own hands.—Reuter.

NIGHTMARE JAVA JOURNEY

Men Murdered On Train

BATAVIA, Oct. 12. NUMEROUS INCIDENTS BETWEEN INDONESIANS AND THE DUTCH MARRED THE PEACE OF YESTERDAY AT BATAVIA AND BANDOENG, AS WELL AS OTHER PLACES IN JAVA.

FIGHTING HAS ALSO GOING ON, IT IS REPORTED HERE, BETWEEN THE JAPANESE AND INDONESIANS IN BANDOENG. IN BATAVIA, IT IS STATED, THAT A NUMBER OF EURASIANS AND DUTCHMEN HAVE UNACCOUNTABLY DISAPPEARED DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS.

A number of Indonesian police personnel have also been wounded while helping the allied authorities to maintain law and order.

The Allied Ministry Authorities have taken into custody eight Japanese officials, accused of committing "atrocities against prisoners-of-war" and internees in Batavia. Among this number is the self-styled "war criminal the Kempeitai" (Japanese Gestapo), chief of Buitenzorg.

Dutch sources report the presence in Sourabaya of several Japanese marines who possess false German passports and are living "underground."—Reuter.

BATAVIA CLASHES

BATAVIA, Oct. 12. Anota, the Dutch news agency, reported that four Indonesians were killed and six wounded in clashes with British forces here.

Quoting the Indonesian news agency, "MOROSETIA," Anota said also 18 were killed and 40 wounded in a battle with Japanese forces in Bandoeng, in south-central Java.

A clash yesterday between Indonesian armed police and a detachment of British troops resulted in one Indonesian killed and three wounded.

The clash occurred when the Indonesian police tried to reoccupy a number of houses from which they had been ejected after it is alleged having taken unlawful possession.

BATAVIA SHOOTING

Three civilian passengers were killed and three more injured on Wednesday when shots were fired at an Indonesian car along a cordoned road in the heart of Batavia in front of the building in which the Dutch forces were occupying. According to Dutch news received to-day, the car was said to have ignored the signals to stop.

Quoting the Indonesian news agency, "MOROSETIA," Anota said that the car was driven by a British officer.

MANY DISAPPEARANCES

LONDON, Oct. 12. MOBS CONTROL SECTIONS OF THE BANDOENG RAILWAY." CABLES "THE TIMES" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT FROM BATAVIA.

HE STATES THAT TWO DUTCHMEN, THREE INDONESIAN POLICE AND ONE CHINESE WERE MURDERED ON THE TRAIN WHICH LEFT BANDOENG ON OCTOBER 4TH. OTHER CHINESE PASSENGERS ON THE TRAIN WERE COVERED BY MACHINE-GUNS AND WERE FORCED TO SWEAR ALLEGIANCE TO THE "INDONESIAN REPUBLIC."

An Australian photographer arriving at Batavia on October 9th from Sourabaya via Bandoeng reported a nightmare journey although in possession of a pass signed by Dr. Soekarno's "Home Minister."

At each station a gang of young men armed with spears and knives searched the train, making the passengers without passes descend.

Meanwhile, British and Dutch officials of the organisation for the recovery of prisoners of war to-day visited Dr. Soekarno (Head of the Indonesian Republic) to protest on purely humanitarian grounds against the obstruction and difficulties with which the organisation is meeting from Nationalists throughout Java.

PROMISED AID

"Dr. Soekarno has promised to give all assistance," says "The Times" correspondent. "Whether in fact he possesses the necessary control over the extremist groups should be

come apparent during the next few days," adds the correspondent.

Meanwhile, Dr. H. J. Van Mock, Lieutenant-Governor General of The Netherlands East Indies, conferred with Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Commander in South-East Asia, last night, and a settlement is to be issued later.—Reuter.

Signs of a general uprising throughout Java where Indonesian Nationalists, led by Doctor Soekarno, are in complete control, except for Batavia were officially reported to-night.

The allies are already preparing for a possible revolt against Dutch rule.

More clashes have been reported between the Indonesians and the Japanese and the Dutch. Thirty Indonesians were killed and thirty-two more wounded in an incident with the Japanese at Pekalongan, Central Java, the Nationalist-controlled Bandoeng Radio reported to-day. The Japanese suffered seventeen casualties.—Reuter.

Japanese Radar

TOKYO, Oct. 12. AIR FORCE EXPERTS HAVE DETERMINED THAT JAPANESE RADAR EQUIPMENT WAS FAR BELOW THE ALLIED STANDARDS.

They learned that radar defence of the home islands was so ineffective that they couldn't tell whether approaching planes were their own or American, or even how many. The Allied experts gleaned their information from the fighter control centre here.

They had no effective way of plotting positions of their own planes, no homing beacons, and no air-sea rescue system.

After the fall of Iwo Jima, the main Japanese defence came from coast watchers and ground observers in the Tokyo area.—Associated Press.

DEPUTY ARRESTED

Berlin, Oct. 12. A Lebanese Deputy named Kazzam, has been arrested by the British Military police. Kazzam was driving to his village late on Tuesday night after a meeting at the Churchill who'd a large party of British Military Police stopped the car and seized Kazzam alive. The British police were called immediately and a search of the Deputy's house produced twenty more rifles.

Kazzam resisted the first search and was slightly wounded. He has been taken to the prison hospital.

FOR THIS RELIEF MUCH THANKS

London, Oct. 12. The civil population of Alderney Island is to be allowed to return by the end of the year. Few of the houses are habitable, but they will be put up in requisitioned hotels.—Reuter.

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LATEST NOTICES

REPATRIATION NOTICE No. 17.

H.M.S. "ARBITER"
(FOR AUSTRALIA ONLY).

The undermentioned are the passengers for the above vessel:

Gnr. S. O. Borg, Mrs. T. Borg, Mr. L. G. J. Batten, Miss N. Dillon, Mrs. E. Chung, Mrs. K. I. Ching and family, Mr. W. G. Fitz Gibbon, Mr. S. G. Hayos, Mr. J. A. Kinnard, Miss F. Loong, Miss L. Leo, Mrs. L. Lian, Miss P. Lian, Miss M. Matheson, Mr. & Mrs. J. A. B. May, Mrs. H. V. Poates, Mrs. S. A. Pike, Mr. & Mrs. M. Stanroy, Mrs. U. Sing, Miss A. R. Sing, Mrs. E. Starchock, Mr. V. L. Voriga, Mrs. V. Voriga, Mrs. M. T. Williams, Miss V. Williams, Mr. J. J. Wilcox, Mr. & Mrs. H. Yuen and child.

Hongkong passengers assemble at Queen's Pier at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 14th October, and Kowloon passengers assemble at Hoi Lai Wharf at 11 a.m.

Passengers must not embark without first obtaining their embarkation card.

PASSENGERS WHO WERE LISTED FOR CANADA, NEW ZEALAND AND U.S.A. ARE TO STAND BY FOR THE NEXT SHIP.

REPATRIATION OFFICE

12th October, 1945.

HONGKONG MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

In Re: Custodian Proclamation No. 10 of 1945.

SALE BY TENDER (S 58)

The Acting Custodian of Property is prepared to receive bids in writing for the purchase of a quantity of:

Paint Brushes (various sizes) - said to be 44,194 pcs.

Hair Brushes - said to be 2,306 pcs.

Clothes Brushes - said to be 6,000 pcs.

Shoe Brushes - said to be 7,192 pcs.

Men's & Ladies' Umbrellas - said to be 3,227 pcs.

Luggage Baskets - said to be 1,107 pcs.

now lying at Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co.'s Building, 20, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.

Inspection may be made on application to Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. Ltd., 1st Floor, between 9 and 10 a.m. each day except Sunday.

Bids, in sealed covers, should be left at the Acting Custodian's Office, Second floor, Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road, Victoria, on or before noon 20th October, 1945.

A deposit of Dollars One Hundred must be made on deposit of each tender, which will be returned if tender is not accepted.

The Acting Custodian does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.

R. A. WICKERSON,

CONTROLLER OF

GODOWNS,

Acting Custodian of Property.

Victoria, 13th October, 1945.

NOTICE

Will Mrs. Edith Loyd BUTLIN kindly communicate with INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS EXCHANGE BUILDING (2nd FLOOR)

NOTICE

All persons who can furnish any information as to the present whereabouts of any property vested in the CUSTODIAN OF ENEMY PROPERTY on the 25th day of December 1941, or of the records or any paper documents, etc., belonging or pertaining to the office of the Custodian of Enemy Property, Supreme Court, are required to communicate with the undersigned.

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THE CHARTER

Mr. Attlee is rapidly earning for himself a high reputation for plain speaking and lucidity. The Churchillian flair for words may not be there, but these are times, perhaps, when clear reasoning and the matter-of-fact approach without the overtones of oratory, are likely to contribute more usefully towards the forging of the instruments of peace. His speech at the meeting in London of the United Nations Association was typical. He made no attempt to present the Charter of the United Nations as the perfect answer to the world's ills. It is, however, the best that can be obtained at the moment, and, as Mr. Attlee said, "there is only one way of improving it and that is to use it to the full. That is how we shall learn to make it work, remove its imperfections and develop its great possibilities. The dread weapons of modern war, plus the complete redistribution of world power (which now virtually repose in the Big Three, the British Empire, the United States and the Soviet Union) have given to the new United Nations organisation a universality to which the League of Nations aspired but never attained. As has been pointed out, the supreme test of its efficacy is as likely to come in Asia as in Europe, in the Pacific as in the Atlantic. Equally, the same dominating political fact deprives the smaller nations of the veto-right that the unanimity rule of the League Covenant conferred on them. The irrefutable lesson of recent history proves that, save for altogether exceptional circumstances, they are inextricably involved in the fortunes of their larger neighbours and must, within the limit of their resources, play a co-operative part in the business of security. With these qualifications, the new Charter resembles less the old League of Europe. The legalistic aspect is conspicuously absent. The new Charter is frankly political and, therefore, more realistic. The weight of responsibility rests primarily on the Security Council, in which the authority of the principal nations will dominate, since they alone have the power of enforcement. The task of the Security Council is no longer to sit in judgment, but to take action before any threat to peace can seriously develop. Hence, Mr. Attlee's insistence that the Charter is Britain's first line of defence and that the success of the United Nations' Organisation must become the primary object of British foreign policy. It needs, however, to be emphasised further that success finally depends in a large measure on the possibility of establishing over the world a new order of justice, prosperity and well-being. Security is not to be envisaged in military terms alone.

LEE-MAXWELL WEDDING

The wedding took place at St. Teresa's Church yesterday of Sergt. Albert Torrance Lee, H.K.V.D.C., and Miss. Constance Zena Maxwell, daughter of Mrs. K. C. Maxwell.

Sergt. Lee ("Tinker") was in the Revenue Department when the war broke out and prior to that was on the staff of the "Hong Kong Telegraph". A more than useful fast-to-medium bowler, he was one of the leading cricketers at the University here some years ago and after that turned out for Chalgowrie Cricket Club.

The duties of best man were discharged by Capt. D. Hunt and matron of honour was Mrs. Nick Jaffer, Pte. N. Jaffer, H.K.V.D.C., godmother the bride, away.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at No. 240A, Prince Edward Road, residence of Mr. and Mrs. Lim, when a large number of businessmen gathered to offer their felicitations.

Sergt. and Mrs. Lee are expecting to leave for the United Kingdom in the near future on a repatriation ship.

As from to-day the Queen's Theatre, one of the leading cinema theatres in the Colony, will be operating under new management. It has been taken over by the Luk Hoi Tung Co. of which Mr. Chab Pak-sun is manager.

Mr. T. V. Soong, Chinese Prime Minister, who is at present on a visit to Shanghai, is understood here to have gone there for financial talks with Josephine, Mrs. O. K. T. Liu, Minister of Finance, is accompanying Mr. Soong. — Reuter.

Thousands Nazis Tried in Poland

LONDON, OCT. 12. ATTORNEY-GENERAL GEORGE SAWICKI OF POLAND SAID TO-DAY THAT SPECIAL POLISH COURTS ALREADY HAVE TRIED APPROXIMATELY 1,000 GERMAN WAR CRIMINALS AND COLLABORATIONISTS AND CONVICTED ABOUT 80 PER CENT OF THEM.

OF THOSE CONVICTED, HE SAID, ABOUT 400 WERE EXECUTED AND THE OTHERS GIVEN SENTENCES RANGING FROM 10 YEARS TO LIFE. HE TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT ABOUT 8,000 MORE CASES ARE BEING PREPARED FOR PROSECUTION.

In a voice choked with emotion and eyes brimming with tears, Sawicki described in broken English conditions at Majdanek, the German horror concentration camp from which he escaped in 1944 after nearly six years' imprisonment.

He said that hundreds of thousands of Russians, Poles and Czechs had been murdered in the camp's gas chambers and their bodies cremated in gigantic ovens which were kept blazing until Russian and Polish liberating armies were in sight of the camp.

Sawicki told of watching S.S. guards lure Polish children into the chambers with bits of sugar and chocolate, and calloused camp officials arranged special Sabbath executions for "the entertainment" of German women in the area.

"Among the German people who lived in Poland during the war," he exclaimed, "there was not one who was not guilty. They had no mercy! They had no mercy!"

Associated Press.

A HONGKONG VOLUNTEER LOOKING OVER THE MENU AT A LEADING RESTAURANT THE OTHER DAY HAD HIS APPETITE ATTRACTED BY AN ITEM TANTALISINGLY DESCRIBED AS "CHICKEN A LA ORIENTAL."

He proceeded immediately to order it, but had a moment of disappointment when the waiter returned with a shake of the head and an apologetic smile.

His enthusiasm somewhat ruffled, the Volunteer took up the menu card again and scanned it once more.

His attention was attracted to the Chinese version of the item. Though not a profound Chinese scholar, he discovered to his delight that his limited knowledge was quite equal to the test of reading the item in Chinese.

Though deleted to some extent, it read "Greater East Asia Chicken and Rice".

Restauranteurs, it seems, are pulling their socks up in an attempt to eradicate the Japanese influence on menu cards.

5,000 Obtain Needs

The Australian Red Cross Organisation in Hong Kong recently received and issued 36 tons of light diet foodstuffs to the Hospitals and in need of invalid foods.

In all, the A.R.C. have so far provided 6,000 people in Hong Kong with immediate necessities.

Shanghai internees now arriving in the Colony on their way to their homes have also received invaluable aid from the Shanghai branch of the Australian Red Cross.

Those going to England will receive winter clothing at one of the ports in the Middle East — probably Colombo or Port Said.

REORGANISATION OF
H.K. SCOUTING

The Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C., is due in the Colony from Canton within the next few days and will spend about a fortnight here. He will devote most of the time to the reorganisation of the Boy Scouts movement.

It will be remembered that the Rev. Halward, who was for many years in the Colony, took up work in Canton just before the outbreak of the war with Japan. He was, in point of fact, a passenger on the last river boat to leave for Canton prior to the start of hostilities.

Old George Here Again

"Smile a little and cry a little, and what more can one say?" — A nod of the head, and an old man philosophically agreed to this stopgap answer to the riddle of life.

He is George Bing, aged 57, and is by profession a dealer in tropical fish. His well-known little establishment, the Kowloon Aquarium, at 110, Nathan Road, is re-opening for business.

At first sight there is little remarkable about Old George. He has a weather-beaten complexion and an agreeable and engaging smile. It was always a good business asset and his clientele in the old days included everyone who was anyone in the local fish-fancying world.

Old George, however, has stories to tell. They do not come easily and have to be fished for. But he has seen life in its unexpected and have lived it to the full.

His losses — he will speak of them but not on the bitter note. They include his son and daughter, nearing the thirties both of them, and his wife, a widow, some of his near relations, lost at sea the victims of war, and a fishing fleet of four vessels, lost to the greed of Japan.

HAPPY HUNTING

Old George always had enterprise. Who, outside of the world's navies and a few geographers, ever heard of the Pratas? They are 168 miles S.E. of Hong Kong. They do not rise at any spot more than six or seven feet above sea level except for one hillock that scales the amazing height of 30 feet.

But the Pratas are good hunting-ground for tortoise-shell. George worked them for all they were worth, built a fleet of four diesel-engined fishing junks on the strength of the profits, stayed while the Japanese kept snooping about as would-be hijackers in search of sea-food, the Nips being iodine-conscious, and had a whale of an argument with them before a botching consideration for the point that discretion was the better part of valour led to his abandoning his installation and three of his boats and making back for Hong Kong with his remaining vessel, and 80 h.p. diesel-engined fishing-junk, the "Nam Yi".

LONG MEMORIES

The Pratas have long memories. Fortunately, however, those Old George was faced with when the Japanese occupied Kowloon did not remember him from the Pratas. However, they liked his fish.

They brought a bag of rice, 150 catties, and took what they wanted. These included George's particular prizes, fifty good angel fish and ten good archers. These were specially bought for Japanese aquaria. To-day, George says, he would find buyers to pay more than \$50 a pair.

They are irreplaceable, locally. They are brought in and sold at the market, and the price is high.

"Well," George said, "I still have something left. I had to close down after a few months of the occupation and have been out of business for three years. But it amazes me the number of filial-lovers there are in Hong Kong and they keep calling all the time."

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T.V. IN SHANGHAI

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CEYLON DISCUSSES CONSTITUTION

COLOMBO, OCT. 12. THE CEYLON BOARD OF MINISTERS MEETING TO-DAY HEARD MR. D. S. SENANAYAKE'S (LEADER OF THE STATE COUNCIL) ACCOUNT OF HIS RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SECRETARY FOR THE COLONIES IN LONDON, ON WHICH A CONFIDENTIAL NOTE HAS BEEN CIRCULATED AMONG THE MINISTERS.

AFTER CONSIDERING THE SOULBURY RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE LIGHT OF MR. SENANAYAKE'S DISCUSSIONS, THE BOARD DECIDED TO AVOID THE FINAL CONCLUSIONS OF HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT, WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMMUNICATED TO THE MINISTERS AT AN EARLY DATE, BEFORE EXPRESSING AN OPINION ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES FOR CEYLON.

PETTER CAUGHT

Weisbaden, Oct. 12. The United States army has captured the leader of the Hitler Youth movement, Dr. Kurt Pötter, and is holding him as a possible war criminal. — Associated Press.

The two members of the minority communities of Burghers and Moors expressed satisfaction with the Soulbury recommendations.

Dr. Schokman, who represented the Burghers in the first State Council, says that the recommendations are fair and reasonable and he welcomed the proposal for the nomination of a Burgher representative.

Ara Razik, the nominated Moor in the State Council, says that he has no grievances about the recommendations.

COMMUNIST CRITICS

On the other hand, the Communist Party severely criticised the Second Chamber proposal. Peter Kunemann, General-Secretary of the Ceylon Communist Party, says that the Soulbury recommendations are designed to continue the imperialistic strangulation on the country and to foster national disunity and communal strife.

The State Council, now in recess, will meet from November 6th to 11th, when it is expected the final decisions of His Majesty's Government, regarding the future of the constitution, will have been taken. It is generally expected that the State Council will have an opportunity of debating the new proposals. — Reuter.

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The "Post

DOCK STRIKE STILL SPREADS

LONDON, OCT. 12. DEFYING THE CALL "TO WORK" BY THE LABOUR MINISTER, MR. GEORGE ISAACS, AND THE APPEALS FROM THE TRA DE UNION, MORE THAN THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND DOCKERS THROUGHOUT ENGLAND WHO ARE STILL ON STRIKE WERE JOINED TO-DAY BY A FURTHER FIFTEEN HUNDRED STRIKERS FROM FIVE LONDON WHARVES. THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL OF MEN OUT IN THE LONDON AREA TO ABOUT SIX THOUSAND AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT OTHER DOCKERS ON THE UNAFFECTED WHARVES WILL COME OUT LATER.

More London ships' clerks -- key men because they are responsible for the checking of cargoes in and out and their stopping of work means an immediate standstill in the docks -- struck to-day and the delegates are appealing to all 650 clerks to stop work.

Fifty thousand tons of food are now estimated to be held up in the holds and quays by the London stoppage.

DOCKERS' DEMANDS

So far, there is no hint of a settlement of the nation-wide strike, the basic cause of which is the dockers' demand for an eight-shilling day wage increase to twenty-five shillings and a forty-hour week, but a delegation of dockers from the West India Docks in London saw the National Secretary of the Dockers' Section of Transport and General Workers' Union, J. Donovan, who assured them that the date for resumed wage negotiations would be October 18. The S.A.D. Dockers' National Delegate Conference has been called for October 23 to hear the report on the negotiations.

Strikers at the London Docks -- King George V, Albert and Victoria -- to-day resolved to ask the Minister of Labour to intervene although Mr. Isaacs said that government would take no action until the men return to work. The strike is holding up not only the unloading of vital foodstuffs but also the export of goods abroad.

TROOPS UNLOADING
Trainloads of troops to-day moved to the ports to discharge vital cargoes of oranges, butter, bacon, lard, cheese and eggs.

Names That Will Live

Speed of production and commission of United States Navy ships is illustrated by the fact that the destroyer escort vessels in this area have been named after American heroes of the Pacific war.

For example, U.S.S. Marion W. Dufilho (D.E. 423), with Lieut.-Comdr. Albert H. Nienau in command, and now lying in Hong Kong harbour, was named after Squadron-Leader Marion W. Dufilho, who was shot down in the Solomons campaign of 1943 after having been a shining example to all personnel of the United States Air Force.

U.S.S. Marion W. Dufilho was christened by the widow of the air ace and was commissioned on July 21, 1944.

Other vessels of Escort Division 77 are U.S.S. Formoe (D.E. 509), named after Frank Formoe, a machinist made 1st class, who met his death at Pearl Harbour, and U.S.S. Monroe (D.E. 422), Harris (447) and Haas (D.E. 424). The Division Commander is Capt. Harrison G. White, U.S.N.R.

NEWSPRINT HOPE DEFERRED

Moscow, Oct. 12. Foreign commercial sources said to-day Russia would have no surplus of newsprint for export to India or elsewhere for some time. Russian timber is needed badly for housing and general construction in war-devastated areas. Russian newspapers still are being published in reduced wartime size. --Associated Press.

COTTON PRICES

New York, Oct. 12. Cotton futures drifted lower on light hedging and local selling which encountered only trade support on Thursday. Traders were hesitant pending further developments on a congressional bill designed to boost farm prices and clarification of the tortilla wage and colling situation. The New York stock market was generally lower and moderately active. --Associated Press.

Bucharest, Oct. 12. The third transport of Soviet wheat and maize for Romania has reached the port of Braila. The cargo was shipped in accordance with the recent Soviet-Romanian Trade Agreement.

One thousand railway truck-loads of Soviet wheat arrived at Jassy for distribution in Moldavia. --Reuter.

Letters for the following await collection at Volunter, H.Q.: Capt. C. Blakely, J. R. A. Rommel, J. F. Barron, L/Cpl. N. C. Barron, Gnr. L. J. Bentich, R. J. Haynes, clv. V. Niven, G. E. L. Johnson, Gnr. Y. S. Chanting, M. J. Hawkins, Dr. H. H. R. P. Dimock, and E. H. Chuan.

Twenty Dead: Two Blind

SINGAPORE, OCT. 12. POISON LIQUOR HAS NOW CAUSED THE DEATH HERE OF TWENTY SERVICEMEN, LEFT NINE DANGEROUSLY ILL AND BLINDED TWO.

Since midnight last night no further cases have been reported and the Medical Authorities hope that prompt action has had immediate effect.

To-day every military post and street corner carries large posters: "Death from Poison found in Singapore Liquor. More men died to-day."

The sale of liquor to servicemen has been declared illegal and imprisonment has been made the penalty for infringement. --Reuter.

ENOUGH TO POISON ARMY

Singapore, Oct. 12.

An army officer dramatically interrupted a cinema show here last night to announce to the house, full of troops, that more deaths from wood alcohol poisoning were expected during the night.

"To-day we raided 150 places and captured enough liquor to poison the 14th Army," he said. --Reuter.

The British authorities have closed distilleries and confiscated 6,000 gallons of liquor.

Authorities said that some types of liquor and brandy were found to contain lead. Later investigations disclosed the presence of poisonous methyl alcohol or wood spirits. Some samples analyzed contain 80 per cent of methyl alcohol.

Meanwhile, the military authorities have utilized both press and radio to warn servicemen of the danger while police made numerous raids in an attempt to get to the source. --Associated Press.

Australian Project

MELBOURNE, OCT. 12. FIVE MAJOR PROJECTS COSTING SEVEN MILLION POUNDS FOR EXPANSION OF THE AUSTRALIAN STEEL INDUSTRY ARE NOW UNDERWAY.

The "Melbourne Herald" said the projects would swell the steel supply for great reconstruction works planned in the nation.

The projects include construction of an extraction plant, a deep seaport at Yampi Sound in New South Wales and steel furnaces at Port Kembla, the projected development and mechanization of the collieries in New South Wales to increase supplies to the steel works, and driving of a tunnel two and a half miles long into the side of a coal-bearing mountain at Bulli.

Australian-made machinery will be used and returned servicemen will constitute a big part of the labour force. --Associated Press.

Brussels, Oct. 12. General de Gaulle, head of the French Government, left here for Paris to-day in the Belgian Royal train. --Reuter.

Huge Scale Of UNRRA's Spending

WASHINGTON, OCT. 12. PRESIDENT TRUMAN TOLD CONGRESS THURSDAY THAT ONLY \$20,000,000 OF THE UNITED STATES' \$800,000,000 APPROPRIATION FOR UNITED NATIONS RELIEF REMAINED UNCOMMITTED ON AUGUST 31.

HE TRANSMITTED THE FOURTH REPORT ON AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN UNRRA (UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION) AND THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE BEGAN CLOSED HEARINGS ON HIS REQUEST FOR ANOTHER \$500,000,000 TO MEET "ACUTE NEED AND PRIVATION" IN EUROPE THIS WINTER.

"Life abroad in the coming winter," the president said, in his statement, "will depend upon the outside assistance which this country and other countries can provide for the liberated peoples."

Asserting that UNRRA "has made a substantial beginning in the immediate task," despite world deficits of critical supplies and shipping, President Truman added:

"The more this task can be speeded up through early delivery of needed supplies, the sooner it will be possible for UNRRA to withdraw, leaving the liberated peoples on a high footing to carry on their own life."

HUGE SUMS
The president's report showed that on September 15, all 44 nations participating had pledged U.S. \$1,882,769,991 to UNRRA. Of this, U.S. \$1,208,750,154 had been paid in or is "available on request" toward operating expenses, while U.S. \$16,416,884 have been contributed for administrative purposes.

Great Britain's total pledge of U.S. \$322,400,000 is paid.

Washington, Oct. 12.

The Indian Immigration Bill will reach the Senate Immigration Committee to-morrow and will be referred immediately to the State and Immigration Departments.

After reviewing the legislation passed yesterday by the House these departments will prepare reports and return them to the Senate Committee. --Reuter.

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND AND FREE CHURCH

Sunday, October 14 Y.M.C.A.,

Salisbury Road, Kowloon: Communion

Hymn Singing 6 p.m.

Evening Service 6.30 p.m. Holy

Communion 7.15 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL (Garden Road).--Sunday, October 14. Trinity XX: Holy Communion 8 a.m.; Matins & Sermon 11 a.m.; Preacher: The Right Reverend R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hong Kong; Evening & Sermon 6.30 p.m.; Preacher: The Rev. W. T. Boyd, Staff Chaplain, R. A. F.

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FREE CHURCH--Sunday, October 14. At ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, Garden Road. Morning Service 10 a.m.; Evening Service; Preacher: Rev. T. A. Broadfoot, D.D., Canon, 5 p.m. Holy Communion, 5.45 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S, KOWLOON. Sunday, October 14. Holy Communion 8 a.m.; Parade Service: Rev. J. Armstrong, K.N. 10 a.m.; Choral Service followed by Holy Communion. Preacher: Rev. J. Armstrong, R.N. 11 a.m.; Evensong and Sermon Preacher: Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, 6.30 p.m.

Too H. Services Club open daily 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Hong Kong. (A branch of THE MOTHER CHURCH, THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Boston, Mass.)--Sunday, October 14. Service: 11 a.m. St. George's Bldg. (1st floor), Chater Road. The subject of the Lesson-Sermon is all Christian Science churches on Sunday, October 14th, is "Are Sin Disease and Death Real?" The Golden Text is: "Look upon Zion, the City of our solemnities: ... The inhabitant shall not say, I am sick; the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity." (Isaiah 33: 20, 24). Christian Science literature can be obtained on loan after the service. All are welcome.

THURSDAY MEETING

A Fellowship Meeting for Bible

Study and Prayer will be held in St.

John's Cathedral Hall on Thursday,

October 18th, at 6.30 p.m.

All those interested are welcome.

REPATRIATION NOTICE NO. 16

All persons registered for early

repatriation should continue to

stand by.

As accommodation becomes

available the names of those for

embarkation and details of vessels

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AMERICANS EVACUATING PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Oct. 12. THE EVACUATION OF ALL AMERICAN TROOPS FROM PALESTINE WILL START TOMORROW MORNING ACCORDING TO A STATEMENT RECEIVED HERE TO-DAY FROM THE AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS IN CAIRO.

Palestine, therefore, becomes out of bounds to all United States soldiers on leave while the complete evacuation of the remaining soldiers will be carried out until Monday.

Indications that security measures are being tightened up came to-day with the mounting of new identity checking points along the highways between Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and the Coastal Road.

A meeting of the military and police commanders is reported to have taken place in Jerusalem early to-day to consider steps to be taken if the situation worsens.—Reuter.

MacArthur's Programme

TOKYO, Oct. 12. The Supreme Headquarters of the Allied Army announced that General MacArthur expects to have only four divisions of sixty thousand men in Japan Proper by March 1946.

General MacArthur had previously stated that two hundred thousand men would be required within six months to start the occupation caused astonishment in official quarters in the United States and Britain.

General George Marshall, the United States Army Chief of Staff, told Congress on September 20th that 450,000 men would be needed for the occupation of Japan and Korea, but official confirmation was received of MacArthur's estimate.—Reuter.

TANGIER RESTORED

PARIS, Oct. 12. THE ALLIED POWERS TAKING PART IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF TANGIER TO-DAY OFFICIALLY ENDED THE VIOLATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STATUS COMMITTEE BY GENERAL FRANCO.

The Spanish Government has completed the withdrawal of its troops.

The French cruisers "Duguay" and "Touquin" arrived at Tangier to-day with a representative of the Sultan of Morocco and a corps of Moroccan troops led by French officers on board.

The Moroccans will constitute the police of the International Zone.

These developments are the direct outcome of the four-power Conference held in Paris at the beginning of August at which France, Britain, the United States and Russia agreed on the procedure to be adopted to re-establish the pro-war position at Tangier.—Reuter.

PERON FLIGHT REPORTED

Buenos Aires, Oct. 12. Colonel Juan Domingo Peron, Vice-President of Argentina, is reported to have escaped by plane to Southern Argentine though this, so far, has not yet been confirmed.

It was officially announced here that the Argentine elections have been fixed for April 7th, 1946.

In an official communiqué, guarantees were given that the elections would be free and unfettered.

Montevideo, Oct. 12.

President Farrell, of Argentina, according to reports received here, intends to reject the ultimatum which was sent to him and proposes the formation of a new cabinet of national reconciliation.

The Foreign Minister, Doctor Juan Cooke and two other Ministers have resigned, the reports say.—Reuter.

A Secretary General!!

LONDON, Oct. 12. GENERAL DWIGHT EISENHOWER MAY BE THE FIRST SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS, SUGGESTS THE "NEWS CHRONICLE" DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT TO-DAY.

General Eisenhower's name, he says, will in all probability appear prominently in the list of candidates for the post, which will be submitted to the Security Council of the United Nations after the Council has been elected by the first meeting of the General Assembly in London early in December.—Reuter.

Washington, Oct. 12. Coal shipments to Europe will drop badly within the next three or four days, due to strikes. The Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Harold Ickes, told the press to-day.—Reuter.

SAIGON, Oct. 11 (DELAYED). THE FIRST MOVEMENT OF AIRBORNE FRENCH FORCES INLAND IN INDO-CHINA BEGAN ON WEDNESDAY IN JAPANESE PLANES WHICH WERE TAKEN OVER BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE.

THE DEPLOYMENT IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN MADE SUPPOSED AT THE REQUEST OF THE CAMBODIAN PROTECTORATE GOVERNMENT AGAINST ANAMITES REPORTED TO BE MASSING AROUND THE FORMER NIPPON SE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

The movements were scheduled to continue another day and were carried out to reinforce a British signals detachment and a Gurkha platoon, which were flown on October 9 to the airbase which is about 100 miles to the west of Saigon. An original landing was made there by two Dutch officers after the Japanese surrendered.

Erroneous Assumption

London, Oct. 12. Replying to "The Times" leading article yesterday on Iran, in which the suggestion was made that Iranians desire to play off one occupying power (Great Britain) against another (Soviet Russia), the Iranian Press Attaché in London writes to-day:

"Since the Napoleonic days, when Anglo-Russian interests in Iran frequently clashed, the British have been obsessed with the idea that Iranians play them off against the Russians, and vice versa.

"This suspicion is based on slender proofs. It is founded mainly on the erroneous assumption that Iranians consider Anglo-Russian animosity, as the prerequisite of Iranian security.

"The majority of Iranians, however, do not think along these lines. Iran has been for too long one of the scenes of Anglo-Russian rivalry in the East. It is common knowledge that she suffered considerably in the last 120 years from foreign competition for political influence. Surely, Iranians would wish to see an end to this rivalry. If this illusory rivalry between Iran's two great neighbours were to be aggravated, Iran would not escape unscathed."—Reuter.

Those Awful Men Again

London, Oct. 12. In the House of Commons to-day, Captain Marples, Conservative, asked whether the statement of British Government obligations towards the French and the Dutch Governments "regarding the Indo-Chinese and Indonesian puppet governments recently made by the Secretary of State for War," was preceded by consultations with the French and the Dutch and represented the policy of the British Government.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, replied: "If Captain Marples had in mind the recent press reports regarding the statement alleged to have been made by the Secretary of War, I can assure him that the Minister made no such statement as was attributed to him."—Reuter.

TWICE IN A DAY

London, Oct. 12. Asked in the House of Commons how he could reconcile his statement in the House that measures already taken by British Commanders in the Far East showed there was no need for any special instructions to them to impress upon the Japanese the fact of their defeat, with the constant press reports that the Allied Commanders required Japanese troops to administer certain liberated territories which they did with arrogance, Mr. Attlee, the Prime Minister, replied:

"I cannot reconcile my reply with the press reports. Rather it should be the other way around."—Reuter.

CHINA MONEY MARKET

CHUNGKING, Oct. 12. The American Dollar was officially quoted at 1,280 Chinese National Dollars, the lowest rate for the day being 1,160 Chinese National Dollars per American Dollar.

Gold Bars opened at 89,400 Chinese National Dollars at the unofficial market, closing at 83,300, the highest price for the day being 83,500 Chinese National Dollars.—Reuter.

FIRING SQUAD

PARIS, Oct. 12. Jean Herold Paquis, who broadcast from the Paris Radio during the German occupation and who always said: "England, like Churchill, will be destroyed," was shot by a firing squad at Fort d' Chatillon.

He was sentenced to death for treason and his appeal was rejected trial on Wednesday.—Reuter.

TOKYO, Oct. 12. Baron Shidehara is calling a session of the Diet in December. It will probably be dissolved before the end of the month, prior to the elections.

Donon says the Emperor is encouraging constitutional reforms.

Reuter.

HIS ALIBI

LUNSBURG, Oct. 12. Frans Housler, one of the Bolson guards, described himself to the Court here to-day as a "favour" and said that he had saved hundreds of Jews by falsifying records.—Reuter.

SECRET PACT WITH HUNGARY

LONDON, Oct. 12. ASSOCIATED PRESS RECORDS SHOWED TO-DAY THAT ALTHOUGH AMERICAN AND BRITISH BOMBERS FREQUENTLY WERE OVER HUNGARY IN 1947, 1948 AND 1949, THEY DID NOT DROP ANY BOMBS UNTIL MARCH 10, 1944, WHEN THE GERMAN OCCUPATION OF HUNGARY COMMENCED.

The British Air Ministry said that Budapest was never raided by British planes based in Britain, although bombers on several occasions ranged over adjacent areas. The first air raid on the Hungarian capital occurred on September 5, 1942.

The same day, the Hungarian government pointedly emphasized that the planes came direct from Russia.

However, on March 10, 1944, when the Germans entered the country, approximately 250 Anglo-American bombers raided Hungarian cities and 14 United States Flying Fortresses and Liberators bombers from Italy were reported downed in the Budapest vicinity.—Associated Press.

SAIGON, Oct. 12. A new contingent of British reinforcements arrived in Saigon yesterday while the French were landing reinforcements from the battleship "Richelieu" which had just arrived.—Reuter.

GRACEY'S WARNING

Major-General Gracey has warned the Annamites in Saigon that, as they have broken the truce, they must suffer the consequences if there occurs any collision with the occupying forces.—Reuter.

—Associated Press.

LONDON, Oct. 12. EXCHANGE TELEGRAPH REPORTED TO-DAY THE EXISTENCE OF A SECRET AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ALLIES AND HUNGARY DURING THE WAR WHEREBY ALLIED PLANES ENJOYED FREEDOM OF THE AIR OVER THE COUNTRY AND REFUGEES IF FORCED DOWN.

The agreement was kept until German expansion of German forces made it no longer possible.—Associated Press.

LONDON, Oct. 12. A JEWISH GIRL WERE KILLED IN A JEWISH CAMP BREAK-OUT ATTEMPT NEAR HAIFA, AN ARMY TRAINING DEPOT AT REHOVOT, NEAR THE BIG JEWISH CITY OF TEL-AVIV, WAS RAIDED BY A LARGE NUMBER OF ARMED JEWS.

THE RAIDERS OVERPOWERED THE GUARDS AND STOLE 200 RIFLES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AND REMOVED THEM IN STOLEN MILITARY TRANSPORT.

Meanwhile, attempts by Jews to cross into Palestine illegally continue. Reports from Damascus state that frontier guards have arrested four Jews attempting to cross the border into Palestine.

Damascus University and high school students are meeting to-day to discuss the Palestine question.

Most of the Syrian newspapers are calling on the Arab League to organise a boycott of Jewish goods in all Arab countries.

LONDON MEETING

In London, the problem of Palestine is to be considered at once by the Imperial Affairs Committee. Colonel Oliver Stanley, former Colonial Secretary, it is reported, will be the new Chairman of the Committee.

On October 18th, Squadron Leader Donner (Conservative) will ask the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, in the House of Commons whether, in view of the unrest and tension in the Holy Land, he will make a statement to terminate the present uncertainty.—Reuter.

LONDON, Oct. 12. A report from Haifa states that after a trial lasting three weeks, eighteen Jewish youths and two girls, charged with illegal possession of arms, ammunition and explosives, were yesterday all found guilty. The trial by a Military Court opened in the Stella Maris Convent in the hills above Haifa on September 18th.—Reuter.

—Jerusalem, Oct. 12.

The High Commissioner for Palestine, Lord Gort, to-day summoned to Government for talks the acting Chairman of the Jewish Executive, Eliezer Kaplan, acting head of the Jewish Agency Political Department, Dr. Bernard Joseph, and the President of the National Council of Palestine Jews, Isaac Ben Zvi.—Reuter.

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